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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of: **Miller, Robert F. and Daniel D. Freitas**

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For: **METAL PIPE COUPLING AND ASSEMBLY**

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**AMENDMENT RESPONSIVE TO OFFICE ACTION**

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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated 05/09/2005, which established a 3 month period for response expiring on August 9, 2005.

Enclosed with, and as part of, this **AMENDMENT RESPONSIVE TO OFFICE ACTION** are

**SPECIFICATION AMENDMENT, CLAIM AMENDMENTS (MARKED), CLAIM AMENDMENTS (UNMARKED), and REMARKS**, all starting on separate pages; and authorization to charge any fees to the undersigned's deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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